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Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Stan,

In its report on the 1978 Department of Defense Appropriations Bill, the House Committee on Appropriations (HAC) commended the Department of Defense for the quality of the Command, Control and Communications Net Assessment. The Central Intelligence Agency made essential contributions to the final report. The HAC report also directed that an updated net assessment be provided to the committee on January 15, 1978, and that it be updated every January thereafter. I would appreciate your arranging for CIA to revise that portion of the report within its cognizance to reflect any new information.

To meet the HAC schedule, a final draft should be available for coordination by late November 1977. Preliminary drafts will be circulated among a working group as they are produced. Looking ahead to the January 1979 submission, we should begin the longer term work that will result in a more comprehensive assessment at that time.

The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Communications, Command, Control and Intelligence will be responsible for producing the reports. Please name a point of contact to participate in the working group.

Sincerely,

Harold Brown

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